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I. O. O. F. ENTERTAINMENT.

AN "AT HOME" AT THEIR
ROOMS ON THURSDAY
EVENING LAST.

The I. O. O. F. held an "At Home" in their lodge room last Thursday evening, which was one of the best of its kind ever held in this city. Invitations were sent out to all the members of the fraternity in the city and their friends, and by half past eight the rooms were crowded. As there was no set programme for the evening, the guests amused themselves with different kinds of parlor games. During which a lunch was served and was well watered.

Mr. Weatherston was called upon for a song for which he was honored. A quartette just formed that evening, consisting of Miss Simpson, and Messrs. Akke, Grundy and Kennedy, with Prof. Davies as accompanist, gave a few very choice selections and were well applauded.

A great deal of credit is due Mr. Fred Bennett, the Noble Grand of this lodge, and the officers for the way in which they entertained their guests.

The lodge is in a very flourishing condition, having received about 40 new members into the mysteries of the order since the beginning of the year. The affair broke up about 11:30 p.m., and all went home highly pleased with the evening's entertainment.

METHODIST CHURCH.

ANNUAL TEA MEETING
AND ENTERTAINMENT
OF THE SUNDAY
SCHOOL.

The scholars of the above school held their annual tea-meeting on Monday afternoon last. In the evening, before a large audience, the following program was rendered:

Recitation, Olive Bowden.

Chorus, the Sunday School choir.

Recitation, Gertrude Douglas.

Duet, Misses Botting and Bowden.

Recitation, J. Marrett.

Chorus, "Ring the Bells," choir.

Recitation, Morley Larkin.

Song, Bertie Wallace.

Address by Mr. Irwin, President of the Provincial Sunday School Association.

Recitation, Dolly Jones.

Recitation, Wesley Smith.

Trio, Misses Henderson, Wilson and Collins.

Recitation, Miss Paisley.

Chorus, "Rise, Shine," choir.

The singing especially was good and was about the best ever rendered in the city by any Sunday school choir, and Mr. Ashley is to be congratulated on being able to raise them to such a standard.

Little Bertie Wallace, although only four years old, brought down the house with "Mary had a little lamb," which won him an encore.

The entertainment was closed with "God be with you." Miss Vancamp accompanied the singers on the organ.

THE PORTAGE ELECTION.

HON. JOSEPH MARTIN ELECTED BY A MAJORITY OF SIXTY-ONE.

Portage is Prairie, March 28.—In the bye-election here to-day Hon. Joseph Martin was elected over Mr. Garland by 61 majority, the votes being:

	Garland.	Martin.
West Ward	35	43
Centre	54	68
East Centre	54	85
East	57	67
High Bluff	16	11
Elm River	10	13
	226	287

Majority for Martin—61.

The town was very busy all day. Both parties worked hard and the streets were lively with carriages. The successful candidate claimed that the election was the verdict of the people on the grave charges that had been made against him. Mr. R. Watson and Mr. S. R. Marlett also spoke at the meeting held in the Albion hotel by the supporters of Mr. Martin. The meeting was followed by a torchlight procession.

The result was what was expected here. The betting was all in favor of the successful man. W. M. Smith and others had bets of five to one on twenty-five, thirty-five and fifty majorities. Mr. Garland takes his defeat well and is in good spirits.

During the evening a large congratulatory meeting was held in the town hall. About six hundred people were present. Mr. S. R. Marlett president of the Reform Association took the chair and on the platform were Hon. Joseph Martin, R. Watson, M. P., K. McKenzie, M. P., P. W. L. Lyall, M. P., Forsyth, Smith, Curtis, W. M. Smith, C. Braithwaite, Dr. Rutherford.

Mr. Martin thanked his supporters and speeches were made by all those on the platform.

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JUVENILE CONCERT.

ONE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFUL ENTERTAINMENTS EVER HELD IN BRANDON.

A CROWDED HOUSE GREETED THE PERFORMERS.

Since it became known to the citizens of Brandon, some three weeks since, that Mrs. A. C. Douglass had consented to again repeat the juvenile concert, it was looked forward to as a treat by many. On Tuesday evening last the affair came off in the Roller Rink, before a crowded house. The rendering of the pieces throughout reflects great credit upon Mrs. Douglass, who had all the training in hand, and also upon those who took part. The opening piece on the program, a song by the juveniles, entitled "See-Saw," was well rendered. A special feature in this song was the large wax doll in one of the swings, which was the very image of life. Next followed Miss Edna Somerville, dancing the Highland Fling in her usual good manner. Miss Mabel Wastie came next on the program with a solo entitled "The Flower Song," and upon making her appearance on the stage was loudly applauded. Miss Wastie is fast coming to the front as a singer and is deservedly so. Following this a song by Miss Lena Lee and F. Collins, was loudly applauded. Following this a solo by Miss Jessie Lee, "Barney, I haven't a moment," was well rendered and deservedly so. Chorus, "Hello Baby," by the juveniles, closed Part I of the program.

Part II of the program was opened by the trio, Misses M. Smith, B. Cotingham and M. Burns, singing the "Three Old Maids of Lee." The solo, "Cherette," by Miss Mabel Wastie was loudly applauded and ended. Following this a piece entitled "Mrs. Brown's Luggage" appeared on the program. When the curtains were raised a fit of laughter seized the audience and for some time one could hear nothing. On the platform were Mr. and Mrs. Brown (Master F. Collins and Miss Lena Lee) and their five children together with their luggage, the dresses being very comical, which added much to the amusement of the piece. The solo, "I'm so shy," by Miss Lena Lee, was good, and was well rendered. The rendering of this piece, which is somewhat difficult, reflects much credit upon Miss Lena, when it was said that it was rendered in a manner second to none. The next piece was an addition to the printed program and is one which has been heard and appreciated by a Brandon audience before. The piece is entitled "Medicine Jack," and sung by Miss Lena Lee in her usual good style. The next piece, the "Vocal Lancers," was probably the finest part of the evening's entertainment, and was taken part in by Misses M. Wastie, M. Burns, J. and L. Lee, and Messrs. H. Brown, N. Johnston, A. Fleming and H. Paterson. The performers did very well, and the while the singing was good. One of the most enjoyable and successful entertainments ever held in Brandon was brought to a close by the juveniles singing "Auld Lang Syne."

Mrs. A. C. Douglass is to be congratulated upon the success of the affair, and we think she has, in this act, satisfied our citizens that the young people of Brandon are fully up to the average, and that we have some young people in our city, who some day, will come before the province, if not the world, as singers.

The singing of Miss Mabel Wastie and Misses Lena and Jessie Lee was far above the average of what might be expected at a juvenile concert, especially that of Miss Wastie.

MARKETS.

Wheat.—Notwithstanding the good price that wheat is now bringing it continues to come in so slowly that it becomes manifest that there are few farmers that have much more to market. As high as 85 cts. has been paid during the past week.

Oats.—Still in great demand and are now bringing from 41 cts. for feed to as high as 45 cts. for good clean samples for seed or milling.

Barley.—Is enquired after for seed and good samples now bring 35 cts. a bushel. In the meat market there is little or nothing doing. Most of the butchers are now through with their frozen beef and some of them have already started out to purchase fat cattle. Good beef cattle are quoted to us at from 3 cts. to 4 cts. live weight. Dressed hogs are still bringing from 6 to 6 1/2 cts. a lb.

Butter.—Is still scarce and good samples in rolls or prints readily sell for 25 cts. a lb. Tubs and firkins range from 17 to 22 cts.

Eggs.—Are coming in in large quantities and the price now quoted to us by dealers is 15 cts a dozen with a probability of a further decrease.

Potatoes.—Are in great demand for export and seed, and are now making as high as 35 cts a bushel for good sound tubers.

Hay.—Is scarce and commands as high as \$10 a ton.

The chocky factory at Whitewood, the property of Count de Roffignac, was burned to the ground last Saturday night. Sixteen thousand pounds of chocky stored in the mill at the time was also lost. The mill was fully covered by insurance and the proprietor intends building immediately. The loss of the chocky will necessitate a short delay in filling orders, but the Count, who is at present a guest at the Leland, says that in a month or six weeks at the latest the mill will be in operation again, when orders will be filled with all possible dispatch.

Farmer's Institute Meeting.

THE LAST MEETING OF THE SEASON HELD ON FRIDAY LAST.

On opening the meeting, there were not nearly as large an attendance as at some of the former meetings. During the meeting there were a great many dropped in and before the close there was a fair average attendance.

Routine business having been got through with the discussion of the season was commenced by the reading of a paper by E. A. Struthers, of the Manitoba Farm, County of Russell. The writer recommended the doing away with the flat setting pan and the old dash churn. Butter from the farm sold at high prices both in Manitoba and British Columbia. Butter is put up in 2 lb to 50 lb packages with some made into 1 lb prints. The writer was much in favor of a creamery for any locality as it enabled the farmer or the community to combine butter making with stock raising.

Mr. Bartlett of the Farmers' Advocate was the next to take the floor and read a very good and interesting paper. His contention was, that the quality of the cow was the first and most essential point to successful dairy farming. His description of an ideal dairy cow was very good. He gave many valuable hints as to the establishing a good dairy herd particularly as to the raising of heifer calves. He claimed that at the present time there was not received more than 80 per cent from our dairy products of what we should from the amount of feed consumed. He was much in favor of the Institute and the merchants of Brandon adopting the plan of purchasing butter according to quality and as it passes inspection.

In reply to a question Mr. Bartlett said he was not in favor of the cream separators and much rather in favor of deep setting pans in ice or ice water. Before sitting down the gentleman threw out the idea that it might be a good thing for the agricultural society to give a prize for the best system of collecting the cream from milk.

Mr. C. Doran gave his experience as to butter making from the cold setting and the success he had in raising calves from the skin milk which was so treated.

Mr. Bartlett replying to a question said that a cow that did not make 250 lbs of butter in a year was not worth keeping as a dairy cow. Allow that a common ordinary cow gives that much butter and the butter made by her should realize 20 cts a lb or \$50 from the cow.

Mr. Koester said that some time ago he had three cows and two two-year-old heifers and kept strict account of the butter made and sold from them and it brought him in \$200.

Mr. Smith, the secretary, said he thought the Brandon plains were not suitable for dairying, but thought that each farmer should produce enough butter for his own use and a little to spare.

Mr. Percival gave his experience in dairying in this neighborhood and claimed that butter was nothing but a farm that paid better than stock and no part of stock raising was better than that of making butter. He had cows that gave 8 lbs and over of butter per week and had no trouble in selling all of it at 20 cts a lb each.

Mr. Bedford made some very good remarks. He had been in this country for 15 years and had yet to find the man who had gone into mixed farming intelligently who had not done well, while he could point to hundreds of settlers both on large and small farms, who had failed to improve their circumstances by sticking to wheat raising alone.

Mr. Leech, Sr., next took the platform and started with the statement that the first place to begin successful dairying was to provide good stables in which cattle could be kept warm, clean and comfortable. He caused considerable laughter by relating that but a short time ago he purchased some milk in town that when heated could be smelled across the table. Mr. Leech dealt very severely with those who did not keep their stables and cows clean. The next point was to give your cows good pasture. The third point was to have a good milking place. In this milking place there should be shade. He attributed the great fault of having poor butter or cheese was more that of the men than the women. He recommended the use of tin utensils in all parts of the dairy. The speaker grew quite eloquent while pointing out the advantages of Manitoba as a dairying country and the market that would soon be opened in the mother country on the opening of the great northern route.

On motion a vote of thanks was passed to the various speakers, the mover particularly eulogizing the papers of Mr. Bartlett and the speech of Mr. Leech.

THE DESTRUCTION OF MARTIN.

(AFTER BYRON.)

Joe Martin, his voice over broad Selkirk rolled, And his tracks were aglow with America's gold. And the cheek of the man was quite frightful to see. For he knew not his prospects were all up a tree.

Like a rooster a morn when summer is green, The Honorable Joseph on Thursday morn. Like the last row of summer of pleasure bereft, Poor Joe, on the morrow, found out he was left.

For he knew not his prospects were all up a tree. For daily you know, spread his wings on the blast. And over the head of the Honorable past. And the cheek of the latter went down below.

As he shed on the sly a bodiless tear, O! And the Oris of the province are loud in their wall. And the tear that they shed raised the price of the gall. And the blunder and blunder of B. and J. and Math vanished before us like last winter's snow.

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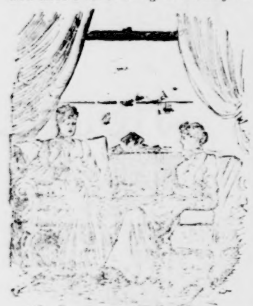
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CHAPTER VI.

"If Mr. Wilcox and Percy are not back here in a week we might as well return to New York. It is getting late in the season, and really, mamma, I can not endure much more of the noise and bustle of this hotel."

"Have a little patience, child; we may hear from them any day."

"Oh! mamma, if you could only know how tired I am of being incessantly told



"HAVE A LITTLE MORE PATIENCE, DAUGHTER!"

loved and shadowed by suitors of all sorts and conditions and of better made love to by old men and smooth-faced youths, you would say go, at once, and let Mr. Wilcox follow us."

"No, my child. It would never do to go until we hear from them. There is no alternative but to wait."

"Very well, just as you say, mamma; but I am very anxious for a change."

The last speaker was Armida Delaro. Eleven years had elapsed since she left the vineyards and blue skies of the Pa-

acific slope and now she was grown into one of the most perfect of God's creatures—a beautiful woman. The rich Southern blood which she had inherited from her parents tinged her cheeks with a subdued flush of perfect health. She was a tall, graceful girl, and a perfect type of Southern beauty; though a decided brunette she was not dark as to be distinguished for it. With her beauty she seemed to have inherited also the sweet disposition of her mother, together with the frank open-heartedness of her father.

Mother and daughter were sitting in a private parlor, for one of their suite of rooms at the West End Hotel, Long Branch, where they had been spending the summer. It was only during the last two years that Mrs. Delaro had enjoyed much of her daughter's society, for they had necessarily been thrown very much apart owing to the mother's set determination to personally assist in the search for her husband's murderer.

This employment, which had kept her traveling all the time, combined with the fact that Armida had been attending school at a convent near to Paris gave them very little opportunity of being together.

Mrs. Delaro really showed very little sign of the struggles she had undergone in her features, though a close observer might have noticed a settled and determined expression which told with-out the aid of words that she was a woman living with a purpose.

And indeed her purpose was stern as ever, for as she sat on this bright September morning talking to her daughter, her thoughts were far away with her two staunch friends, Joel Wilcox and Percy Lovel, who had left her two weeks before to follow up a clew at New Orleans. They had only written twice since their departure, and even then had given no particulars, so that she was anxious and longed to know whether or not they were meeting with success.

Often and often had she waited like this before, but her interest had never flagged, nor her desire for vengeance become less keen. When in conversation with her two loyal friends she always spoke hopefully of the ultimate success of her life work and had frequently intimated that she fully expected to see Leon Velasquez face to face before death should call her to meet her husband.

Of one thing she had been scrupulously careful, and that was to have no word regarding her husband's cruel death uttered in the hearing of her daughter. Still, Armida knew of the manner in which her father had come to his sad end.

But to the girl the tragic affair had never been so real and terrible as to her mother, and in recent years, as the matter was never referred to in her presence, the whole story which so much affected her entire life, was buried in the oblivion of shadowy youthful memories.

The conversation at the opening of this chapter might lead one to imagine that Armida was of a rather peevish temperament, but such was not the case. She had just cause to complain, and was literally bored to death. She had been sought after by every unmarried wearer of pantaloons and suspenders during her stay at the Branch. Races one day, a garden party the next, then a ball, followed by yachting excursions and a hundred other inventions for killing time.

At all such society events, her presence was looked upon as a positive

necessity, until at last the poor girl was almost tired out. No wonder then that she was anxious to get away from it all and seek that rest in New York which was absolutely impossible at a place like Long Branch.

Just as the concluding words fell from Armida's lips, there was a knock on the door, which was answered by the maid, who took a card from the bell-boy and handed it to her young mistress.

Armida glanced at it languidly and then turning to her mother with a piteous gaze on her sweet face said:

"Another infliction."

"Who is here now, my dear?"

"That horrid, vulgar Mr. Blodger, who is so fond of saying: 'Ladies, Mr. Stephen Blodger at your service.'"

Here Armida rose from her reclining posture and gave an imitation of that gentleman's unique style of introducing himself; then turning to her maid she said:

"Tell the boy to show him up."

As the boy went away, something like a gurgling titter sounded as if coming from that progressive youth. In less than a minute the caller was at the parlor door, which showed that he must have waited either outside, or, very near the elevator, for he certainly did not have time to come from the office.

The visitor was a man weighing something in the neighborhood of two hundred pounds, and had a face as round and as red as the setting sun on a winter's day. Sluggish by step, he had risen from the lowest ranks, until he had finally attained the mighty distinction of being a millionaire, said millions having been acquired by the practical application of the science of turning tallow into soap.

In his early days he had known Mr. Wilcox intimately, and the acquaintance had recently been renewed with pleasure on both sides. Consequently Mrs. Delaro and her daughter felt it incumbent upon them to entertain the gentleman when he called.

Since converting his soap-boiling business into a stock company and then selling out his interest at an enormous profit, Mr. Blodger had found a great deal of time on his hands. His wife had long since passed to the "better land," and as he had no relatives to hamper him he devoted his time pretty much to his own company and that of his fifteen-year-old boy, who was, at least physically, following in his father's footsteps—bidding fair to out rival the celebrity of the Fat Boy in Pickwick.

The elder Blodger had, like many of his ilk, in these his later days of wealth and leisure, turned his attention to books and study in the fond hope that he might pass for an educated man in that society toward which his inclinations and ambition now led him. The result was that a smattering of superficial knowledge which is so exceedingly dangerous for in his unguided search in the higher realms of knowledge Stephen Blodger had not deemed it necessary to improve his grammar, and as a consequence his conversation oftentimes embodied a strange conglomeration of the classic sciences and fine arts, dished up in miserably bad English.

Recently this genius had developed into a poet and he was never seen out without his scrap book under his arm, in which he had pasted his own efforts, written on foolscap in a large, round hand, together with numerous choice pieces which he had clipped at odd times from the columns of the Sunday papers. As this worthy individual entered the parlor he bowed low and said with a broad smile, precisely as Armida had mimicked him a moment before:

"Good morning, ladies; Mr. Stephen Blodger at your service."

The two ladies returned the greeting and the usual every day questions regarding health and the weather having followed, Mr. Blodger drew from the side pocket of a loud-patterned tourist



"MR. STEPHEN BLODGER, AT YOUR SERVICE, LADIES."

jackpot which he wore, a tablet, and said: "Ladies, I have been sitting in quiet seclusion upon the sands shadowed by a large sun umbrella and my thoughts, as my eyes wandered across the broad expanse of ocean, the music took possession of my soul, and I was at once inspired to write an ode to the Atlantic. Here is the first stanza in its unfinished state:

"Atlantic, broad and vast expanse
Of seething, boiling foam—
Here Armida interrupted the reader, saying: "You will pardon me, I know, Mr. Blodger, because you have come here to court criticism, but do you not think that 'Seething, boiling foam' reminds one rather unpleasantly of a soap-boiling process?"

"That may be, but we can modify word painting, Miss Armida. This is only in the rough." Then he continued:

"Upon whose bosom white-winged ships,
By day and night do roam."

"There," said Mr. Blodger, as he completed the first stanza. "I think that will work up into something very neat, not to say beautiful."

"Very," said Armida and her mother in unison; but whether they were in earnest or not would have been difficult to determine from the manner in which they gave their assent.

"Did not know that I am also a poet, did you?" said Armida to Mr. Blodger.

"Indeed I did not. But I am really not surprised that we can add poetry to your many accomplishments," he gallantly, if awkwardly, responded.

"Well, I can not exactly be called a poet," was the reply, "but I occasionally indulge in clothing my thoughts in rhyme. Sometimes I really do feel sentimentally poetical, and again at other times I am afraid my crude efforts are the result of indigestion or something equally unpleasant. However, I write my verses and leave my friends to judge of the propelling power."

Armida passed into the adjoining room and soon returned with a scrap of paper on which were pencilled a few lines.

"Here," said she, "is something I jotted down last night after you left. Shall I read it to you?" And somehow there was a merry twinkle in the girl's eyes which passed unnoticed, however, by the sedate Blodger.

"I shall be delighted to hear you do so," was Mr. Blodger's response. So in a clear, sweet voice, in which the slightest mocking tones could only have been discerned by far sharper ears than Blodger possessed, Armida read, as follows:

I have lovers and beaux half a dozen,
Who nestle me day by day—
Not to mention a gay, handsome cousin
Who is always about my way;
But they bore me so much with their chatter
And worry me half to death,
That I really am a miserable creature
I possess even one species of breath.

For, you know, your young, highly-dressed dandy
Is not my ideal of a man
(Although I confess he comes handy
When we wish some amusement to plan);
I fancy a man who is portly,
Whose hair has a tinge of gray
Who can talk like a scholar and courtier,
Gives his arm with "Allow me, I pray."

I am who ever never he would be
With being too fresh or too green;
A man who need hardly be puffed
And filled out the volume of my pen;
A man who can love like a father
As well as a heart-broken swain,
With experience that tells him 'tis rather
Cautious to "stay out in the rain."

When the soft light of evening is fading
And hushed is the noisy car,
When darkness o'er ocean is shading
And filled out the volume of my pen;
When the tired hum of nature is soothing
My ears,
And I thought through the silence sounds
I hear for my loved ones of years.

With his solid two hundred pounds.

During the reading Mr. Blodger sat enraptured, and as she finished he murmured:

"Be-autiful." Then, continuing in a louder key: "Why don't you send that to Harpers', Miss Delaro; they would jump at the chance to publish it. The sentiment is admirable and magnificent, I expressed."

"Oh, I'm not at all anxious to rush into print," was the reply.

"On the contrary, you ought to be delighted to give such literary treasures to the world," responded the old widower, who secretly felt that Armida had taken a graceful way of paying him a compliment, never dreaming that she was the butt of a joke in his eyes.

"The world would be all the better off if not oppressed with such effusions," she quietly replied.

During this time Mrs. Delaro had remained in passive silence, but she now spoke up quietly and asked: "Do you ever hear your poems published, Mr. Blodger?"

"Well, I have sent many in for consideration, but I fear that they do not get the attention which they merit and are cast aside," he answered.

"That appears strange. Surely your name in itself should command a fair and impartial examination of your literary work?"

"Yes, that may be; but you see, mum (Mr. Blodger was lapsing into the soap business again), I'm only known as a soap boiler, and editors have no use for such as we. We may, and do, have matter to send in which is necessary, meritorious, but no money can make those ink-blingers print it with a name like Blodger at the foot."

"That is a pity. I fear the reading public in that way is the loser of some rare gems," said Mrs. Delaro.

"True enough, but there is no help for it," sadly replied the poet. Then he continued: "Some day I will publish my collection at my own expense, and so give it to the world."

With these words he picked up his hat and bade the ladies a courteous adieu.

As soon as he had departed Armida burst into a fit of immoderate laughter. "His earnestness is too much for me; I can not help laughing. Pardon me, mamma," she said.

Mr. Blodger had not been gone very long when the bell-boy again came to the door and laid in a telegram for Mrs. Delaro. She opened it eagerly and, as she read the contents, she sighed almost noiselessly.

"What is it, mamma?" anxiously asked Armida.

"It is from Mr. Wilcox, my dear. He and Percy will be here in two days, and we go to New York."

But she made no allusion to the fact that they had been led off on a false clew, and for the fiftieth time had scattered her gathering hopes.

CHAPTER VII.

Another fruitless search. Days of anxiety passed only to prove in the end that the new clew was a false one. The amateur detectives had been to New Orleans, had watched for several days a man with an iron-gray mustache and beard resembling Velasquez whom they found in that city. From New Orleans they had followed him to Cuba only to discover that he was an innocent Cuban who had been out on a protracted spree.

It was only more added to the many disappointments they had already experienced; so with sad hearts they left the Crescent city and returned to join Mrs. Delaro and her daughter at Long Branch.

Their presence was never more welcome, for the widow was secretly longing for a change of scene, while Armida had openly expressed the same desire.

It was about an hour after dinner of the day on which they returned. Mr. Wilcox was up in the parlor relating his useless adventures and fruitless chase after the innocent Cuban to Mrs. Delaro, and Armida was keeping Percy Lovel company while he smoked a cigar on the piazza. The two last named sat near to an open window of the ball-room, and, as they talked, watched the couples who were already assembling to

take part in the German tea evening. During the interval which had elapsed since Percy met Mr. Wilcox in San Francisco the Englishman had grown quite stout and had very much improved his appearance by cultivating a beard.

As he sat near to the lovely girl tonight, however, he would have remarked that there was a great disparity of age between them—that is to say the fact would not have struck a casual observer very forcibly.

Percy had grown into a handsome, broad-chested man, and possessed a healthy appearance which indicated that he had forsaken most of the foolish



THEY SAT WATCHING THE COUPLES ASSEMBLING IN THE BALL-ROOM.

ways of his youth and was living as a reasonable-minded man should do. He was a keen observer of human nature, and though he never unpleasantly contradicted his opinions, he conducted himself with that sang froid for which most Englishmen are, for some reason or other, said to be celebrated.

If he had any sorrows he never expressed them. Armida had tried once or twice to get the affable "secretary" to give her an account of some of his early history, but she soon discovered her questions pained him and now forbore to touch upon the subject.

Between Armida and Percy a bond of friendship seemed to have been formed, which, although the expression may be considered stereotyped, is best described as that of an older brother to a sister.

They had long called each other by their first names and had both drifted into the habit quite unconsciously and in unobtrusive, innocent manner. Percy had just finished his cigar and they had each risen to promenade a little while before joining the other people.

Just as they moved away Armida laid her hand on Percy's arm and said: "Do you see that elderly gentleman standing near the music men?"

"The tall one with the dark beard?" asked Percy.

"Yes, that is the man I mean."

"Why?" said Percy. "Do you know him?"

"I was introduced to him the other evening and he has pestered me with attentions ever since. He came here first the day after you left for New Orleans."

"Is there anything very unpleasant about his attentions?" was Percy's next question.

"Decidedly so. He is a man toward whom I formed a dislike at first sight, and besides, he dyes his beard. Somehow I never could like a man whose beard was black all over except at the roots."

"You must be of an ultra-observing nature," remarked Percy.

"That is one of the things any woman will observe," was the reply. Then she continued: "His attentions are the more objectionable because they are so marked. Were he to see me now he would be out here in a moment asking me to dance. I really imagine, if the truth were known, that he is at an age when dancing is one of the last things which would be expected of him."

"Who is he?" asked Percy.

"He was introduced to me as Mr. Emmerick, and he volunteered the information that he is engaged in the shipping trade with South America. His place of business is in New York, I believe."

Percy had been intently watching Mr. Emmerick during the conversation and was getting interested.

"Is he an American?" he now asked.

"No, he is not, but it would be difficult to tell what his nationality really is. He speaks perfect English, but there is just a touch of foreign accent in his speech. Myself, I should judge him to be Italian."

"Do the people who introduce you to him know any thing of his history?"

"I never asked," answered Armida.

"When we were introduced the lady who performed the ceremony did not speak very clearly, and he persists in



"MISS MARLOW, WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN HIDING?"

addressing me as Miss Marlow. Up to the present I have no intention of correcting the error, thinking his occasional speaking to me likely to be very few, and indeed they will, as we are going away in a day or two."

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GENERAL NEWS.

Ottawa, March 25.—Advices just received here indicate that the people of Dakota are becoming seriously alarmed at the Canadian repatriation movement now in progress, and that government is holding meetings and imploring the settlers to remain in the State. Storekeepers and those who have financial interests in the country are actively engaged in the propaganda of stay at home.

Gibraltar, March 26.—The divers report that the damage to the Utopia is not as great as has been supposed. Twenty-five bodies recovered. Have been buried at sea. The divers believe that there are many more bodies in the wreck.

New Orleans, March 25.—Signor Cortese, the Italian Consul here, has received instructions from the Italian Minister at Washington to report every detail of the investigation into the lynching of the Italians. The Consul has asked to be summoned as a witness. Signor Cortese believes the call for the meeting ought to be considered prima facie evidence against the gentlemen whose names are appended to it.

Dublin, March 25.—Parnell continues the Sligo campaign avoiding districts in which he would be likely to meet a hostile reception.

T. P. O'Connor, M. P., in explaining his position to the Liverpool electors on Tuesday, spoke of his separation from Parnell in a tone of affectionate regret. He said he was compelled, on political, not personal grounds, to oppose the former leader, whose unfortunate manifesto arranging Mr. Gladstone had obliged the majority of the Irish parliamentary party to enlist under the noble and incurable McCarthy. The granting of Home Rule lay with the Liberal party. How could Irishmen forget the splendid devotion of Mr. Gladstone, or imagine that he betrayed them? The meeting unanimously voted confidence in Mr. O'Connor.

Strathely, March 25.—The coroner's jury have returned a verdict of wilful murder against Robt. Murray, farmer, of Metcalf township, in a scuffle with whom W. O. Howe, a farmer of the same locality, met his death last Saturday.

Deadwood, S. D., March 25.—C. C. Hull, a farmer, while hunting at Hay Creek, six miles west of Minnesota, Battle county, a few days ago, found the head of a child apparently about 15 years of age. The ghastly relic of a foul crime had been buried in bed ticking and partially wrapped beneath loose dirt. The head has not yet been identified. A theory is gaining ground that the crime was committed elsewhere and the head taken to Hay Creek in the hope that it never would be found, and that whenever the headless trunk might be discovered identification would be impossible.

Ottawa, March 25.—A shocking accident occurred this morn.—on at the Leominster phosphate mine in Ottawa county. After an explosion of two blasts three men went down into one of the holes to move the debris when they were overtaken by a slide of rock. Two of them, Camille Tomblenau, and Alfred Bradley, were killed outright and Joseph Proulx was so badly injured that he cannot live.

Rome, March 27.—Archbishop Walsh is here in obedience to a secret summons from the Pope, who is anxious in the present crisis of Irish affairs to arrest what he considers the decline of Catholic ascendancy in Ireland by forming a united Catholic party, to proceed on reasonable methods, but to discountenance Parnell. The Pope is anxious to improve the situation to induce the British Government to re-enter into diplomatic relations with Rome.

CORNWALLIS COUNCIL.

The council met in the council Chamber at 10 a.m. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed. Present: The Reeve in the chair, Councillors, Elder, Struthers, Stewart and Smyth.

COMMUNICATIONS.
From J. Fisher, M. P. P., re district boundaries. Filed.
From Wm. Curin, re School money. Filed.

ACCOUNTS.
The following accounts were ordered to be paid:
W. Muir, goods for R. Panot, \$3.25
Brandon Times, auditors' report, 10.00
J. J. Caruthers, rep. bridge, 6.00

RESOLUTIONS.
Smyth Stewart.—That the sum of \$320.00 be advanced to council ledger 8. D. to meet debentures now due. Carried.

Stewart Smith.—That the solicitor of this municipality, W. A. Macdonald, be and is hereby authorized and instructed to take legal proceedings against any party cutting wood on any road allowance in this municipality when sufficient evidence is laid before him by any ratepayer to warrant him taking proceedings against the offender. Carried.

Smyth Elder.—That this council order a bonus of two cents each for gopher tails until the 1st day of June next. The party tendering same to make declaration if required that the gophers were caught and killed within the limits of the Municipality of Cornwallis. Said tails to be paid for by the Councillor of each ward between the first and fifteenth day of June, 1891. Carried.

Smyth Elder.—That the Reeve be authorized to sign the agreement with Wm. Currie and attach the seal of the Municipality thereto. Carried.

By law No. 120 to substitute a cash payment for the performance of statute labor.

The council then adjourned until Wednesday the 1st day of April 1891 at 10 o'clock.

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1:00 a.m.	2:00 p.m.	St. Norbert	12:00 p.m.	3:30 p.m.	St. Cloud
1:15 a.m.	2:15 p.m.	Carleton Place	12:15 p.m.	3:45 p.m.	St. James
1:30 a.m.	2:30 p.m.	St. Agatha	12:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	St. Paul
1:45 a.m.	2:45 p.m.	Union Point	12:45 p.m.	4:15 p.m.	St. Louis
2:00 a.m.	3:00 p.m.	Silver Plains	1:00 p.m.	4:30 p.m.	St. Joseph
2:15 a.m.	3:15 p.m.	Morris	1:15 p.m.	4:45 p.m.	St. Mary
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2:45 a.m.	3:45 p.m.	Levell	1:45 p.m.	5:15 p.m.	St. Anthony
3:00 a.m.	4:00 p.m.	West Lynn	2:00 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	St. Francis
3:15 a.m.	4:15 p.m.	Pembina	2:15 p.m.	5:45 p.m.	St. Margaret
3:30 a.m.	4:30 p.m.	Grand Forks	2:30 p.m.	6:00 p.m.	St. Elizabeth
3:45 a.m.	4:45 p.m.	Winnipeg Jun.	2:45 p.m.	6:15 p.m.	St. Ann
4:00 a.m.	5:00 p.m.	Duluth	3:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.	St. Rose
4:15 a.m.	5:15 p.m.	St. Paul	3:15 p.m.	6:45 p.m.	St. Thome
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12:15 p.m.	7:15 p.m.	St. James	1:15 p.m.	5:15 p.m.	St. Paul
12:30 p.m.	7:30 p.m.	St. Louis	1:30 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	St. Joseph
12:45 p.m.	7:45 p.m.	St. Mary	1:45 p.m.	5:45 p.m.	St. Peter
1:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.	St. Anthony	2:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.	St. Francis
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6:15 a.m.	12:45 p.m.	Love Farm	3:15 p.m.	10:45 p.m.	St. Charles
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I also beg to thank my Patrons for the bountiful amount of business I received in the last two years I have been doing business for myself in the City of Brandon.

I also solicit further patronage at the hands of the public, for I am here to stay and to carry on my painting business in a first-class style. Special attention being given to all kinds of Decorative work and Sign writing.

Having had 9 or 10 years of the best possible experience of the finest branches of the trade, in some of the finest and largest cities of the world. The above is no advertising puff but are solid facts that can not be disputed, being able to prove same.

Again I beg to thank my numerous patrons,
Yours Truly,

THOS. SHARP PAINTER.

SHOP—White's Brick Blacksmith Shop 7th Street.
P. O. Box, 345

BRANDON POST OFFICE.

Office Hours from 8 o'clock to 19 o'clock. Money Order Office Hours, from 10 to 12.

Mails are due to arrive at this Office as follows:
From the East, daily, at 10.15 a.m.
From the West, daily, except Sunday, at 11.45 a.m.
From the South, daily, except Sunday, at 12.30 a.m.

From Brandon, Hills, Rosenthal, Wawanesa, Milford and Two Rivers, on Monday and Thursday, at 12.30 p.m.
From Brandon, Hills, Rosenthal, Wawanesa, Milford and Two Rivers, on Tuesday and Friday, at 1.15 p.m.
From Brandon, Hills, Rosenthal, Wawanesa, Milford and Two Rivers, on Wednesday and Saturday, at 12.30 p.m.

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From Brandon, Hills, Rosenthal

BRANDON MAIL.

THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 1891.

POLITICAL TRICKERY.

The species of gutter snipe journalism that the Winnipeg Tribune is now dish- ing up to its readers is fully on a par with the independence of the print. The organ set out with announcing to the world "it was independent," and from that day to the present it has never had a good word to say for either a Conserva- tive government or a Conservative candi- date. It is true that on a few occasions, when Conservative candidates were elect- ed, after it exhausted its vocabulary in vain attempts to defeat them, it crawled in the grass serpent like, and in a slick spittle way made a pretence at speaking favorably of them but that has ever been the extent of its independence. Now, however, when it became apparent to the Greenwayite, that Watson's hold on Mar- quette is broken, it sets up a howl in defence of that gentleman that is most amusing. Supposing the C. P. R. did bring in voters for Boyd, what if? Were they not bona fide voters? And if not why did not the Grit scrutineers pre- vent them from voting? If they were bona fide voters, surely there was no sin in their coming in by the C.P.R. If the Grits had more votes than turned up, the C.P.R. was not to blame for that as it would have brought them to the polls, if they paid their passage. The shriek about what Watson has done for the province is only a boomerang that injures the man that uses it.

In the first instance Watson, before he was tried or tested, had 180 of a majority. In his next election he had less than 50 and now the latter is reduced to next thing to nothing if indeed it is not below 0, and that against an opponent Mr. Boyd whose name had never been heard by one half the constituency, and was not known to 10 per cent. of the electors. This drubbing of Watson is either proof of the base ingratitude of the average elector or that Watson's course has been distasteful to the country, how about his "onlyness" as the Winnipeg sycophant may. The truth of the matter is Wat- son's course has ever been to find fault with the Macdonald government, the same as the Winnipeg guttersnipe does without ever suggesting a remedy that is practicable or that could be carried into effect even by the Grit party if in power, and this carping has been held up like a nosegay to his credit. The people have literally tired of this. They saw it in the hallowness of the cry of provincial rights years ago that served to bring to the front the great defeat of Selkirk they saw it in Watson's first large major- ity and they have tired of it and now the reaction has set in Charleston in politics as well as in anything else strangles itself in the close, and this will be the end of the Gritism represented by Watson, Martin and the Winnipeg Tri- bune.

THE REFORMATORY.

The Free Press thinks an attempt on the part of the government to convert the Reformatory, wholly or in part, into an asylum, is a bid to secure the favor of the electors of the Brandon for the Grit candidates at the next elections. It may be so; but assuredly it will be a most in- effectual one. The electors of this coun- ty are well capable of measuring Grit in- tentions, and will not be caught with al- lail. The idea of erecting such an in- stitution as a reformatory in a country scarcely a score of years of age and with a population of not more than 150,000 could never have originated in the minds of men who have the welfare of the country at heart, as it is an advertise- ment of the country no enterprising peo- ple could envy. As one of the English farmer delegates remarked last fall, when here, "it is an assurance that the country is far too wicked for its years." The idea, however, of running an institution costing nearly \$40,000 a year, to say nothing of the interest on the cost of the premises, for the correction of one youth under a dozen years of age, is rubbing it in thicker than what even the Grits can stand, and the farce has be- come so ridiculous that even Cyprus Smart is getting ashamed of it. We pre- sume also, it would have been this brought the crimson to Mr. Clifford Sifton's cheeks but for the fact his father is the principal hand plucking the goose. But the perpetration of one intentional blun- der can scarcely destroy the effects of its predecessor, and the Brandon people know it.

To establish a branch asylum in Bran- don even on ever so small a scale would necessitate the employment of a second set of officials and all the other parapher- nalia at the institution at Selkirk, which the people of the province will never stand. If the institution at Selkirk is not large enough, common sense would suggest the erection of additions to it rather than the opening of a second premises, where the one set of officials with a slight addition, would be able to serve the demands. If the one offender

is not sufficient to occupy the time of the governor, the two guards, the carpenter, the caretaker, and the etc., etc., now em- ployed at the reformatory, and if the govern- ment thinks people will bear with the farce no longer, the best thing the govern- ment can do is to shut up the concern and get Brother White to print an in- scription to its memory. "Closed for stock taking" would serve the purpose if noth- ing can be thought of.

GREENWAY AND THE C. P. R. MONOPOLY.

As there are still some Greenway ad- mirers in the country who still believe it is to the advent of Greenway rule in Man- itoba the abolition of the C.P.R. monopoly must be credited, we clip an extract from the issue of this journal, on the 15th of December, 1887, four months be- fore Mr. Greenway was entrusted with the responsibilities of office, that throws some light on the question. This article even in detail foreshadowed exactly what followed assuring the public negotiations for that abolition were under way while Mr. Norquay was still premier, and the change would have been brought about even if there had never been a change of government in the province. The fact of the matter is, we were advised at that time the railway company would appeal to Ottawa at the approaching session for assistance, and they would not be unwill- ing to abandon their monopoly rights, if the desires of the province were pressed, as a consideration, of course, under the circumstances, until all the details of the company's requirements and the govern- ment's demands for meeting them were worked out no announcement could be made on either side. The crisis in Man- itoba took place and a change of govern- ment followed just as the Federal govern- ment were coming to terms—the one incidental with the other and bearing no more relation to it than a thunder storm bears to the changes of the moon. It is of course out of the question to convince some of this fact, but none-the-less, the fact remains. The extract from the MAIL of that date is below:

"PROBABLY SETTLED.
We are now in a position to say the provincial difficulty is nearly settled, and that on the basis we outlined in our issue of two weeks ago. As we go to press, we are advised through a well-informed channel, the government is going to guar- antee the C. P. R. bonds to the extent of ten million dollars or so, which will en- able the company to build elevators, iron bridges eastward and make other improve- ments, and in return the company will abandon its monopoly rights in the whole Northwest."

Is it possible that the present Local Government will never let a session pass over without tinkering with the "election act" of the province. Mr. Greenway has given notice that he will introduce a bill to consolidate the laws respecting the election of members of the legisla- ture. What does it mean? Very likely the adding of some more impediments to the proper use of the franchise. They have one man one vote now, how much further will they go?

Martin and his friends during the cam- paign made use of the following line of argument: "That it was necessary in the interests of the Manitoba School Act that he should be on the floor of the House to fight for Manitoba's rights in the matter, as it was almost certain the government would disallow the Act." The Globe's Ottawa correspondent last week telegraphed that paper: "It is said that at to-day's cabinet council it was finally decided not to interfere with the position of the Manitoba School Act."

That is rather a high-handed piece of business some of the members of the legislature think of doing, and which the government, the Hon. James Allan Smart included, feel like encouraging them in—breaking up the agreement under which the city of Brandon issued \$70,000 of its debentures for the erection of a gaol and courthouse in the western judi- cial district. It may be that in getting 12 per cent. from the outside territory, the city has a fairly good thing; but even then governments, no more than individ- uals, have the right to step in and break up contracts without the consent of both parties to those contracts. The delega- tion from Brandon put the matter square- ly before the government—they insisted on either having the matter stand as it is or the government step in and assume the debentures the city voted in the first place if they are so anxious for the relief of the outside territory. When the dele- gation put the matter in that form, the government began to draw in their horns and the question is likely to drop for the present. As the Brandon representa- tives felt like supporting the government their position before their constituents is a most compromising one. They all three knew breaking faith with the city was a most inexcusable and reprehensi- ble act, but Mr. Smart thought more of his \$3,500 a year; Mr. Sifton was looking for glory to come and Mr. Graham felt more for the well-fare of the party.

HORSE NOTES.

Tryson, of San Francisco, has bought the trotter, Hylas Boy, for \$10,000.

A. L. McCrea, Jr., of Gouverneur, N. Y., is of the opinion that the future 2:05 trotter will be a direct descendant of Patron, and probably a son or daugh- ter of that horse.

H. P. Wade, the well-known breeder, and proprietor of Maplewood Farm, Jef- ferson, Ohio, is out every day that is available with Gold Leaf, 2:19. The brown son of Nugget and Maple Leaf is looking superbly, and is maturing into a remarkably fine looking horse. Mr. Wade, whose list of blood mares is small but very select, has been having a run of ill luck lately. Maple Leaf (dam of Gold Leaf, 2:19, and Lugot, 2:27) generally a very regular breeder, missed in 1889, and her filly foal of 1890, by Red Wilkes, lived but a few days. He has had bad luck with a number of his other choice mares.

After thinking the matter over, Mr. Bonnar has decided to breed Maud S to Ansel, son of Electioneer and Annetta, by Lexington. This will unite the blood of the two most noted brood mares, Miss Ruskin and Green Mountain Maid, and it will double the speed supporting blood of Boson. Ansel has a record of 2:20 and his action is more intense than that of Palo Alto. Still, if Palo Alto was on this side of the mountains, we think the Queen would become his mate, because such a union would bring together the two extreme race records, 2:13 and 2:17. Ansel is as highly bred as Palo Alto and he has the best of heads. The produce of Maud S by him should be worth a for- tune. A wedding with Palo Alto is one of the events of the future.—Turf, Field and Farm.

It is said that Toronto horsemen will send out a phenomenal pace this year. She is the daughter of Clear Grit, and has been entered in the big stakes at In- dependence.

When Dave Pulsifer made a visit to the Senator Stanford farm it was his in- tention to secure the Palo Alto bred colt Nero, but he was sadly disappointed to learn that the young millionaire, Tom H. Williams, had secured the prize. It is said that \$10,000 was recently refused for Nero.

Chatham, Ont., will hold a meeting on June 30th and July 1st, when \$1,650 will be hung up for prizes. The officers of the Association are:—Dr. Connell, presi- dent; A. McNaughton, vice-president; J. T. Merritt, secretary; A. E. Pilkey, treasurer; P. T. Barry, S. Stephenson; W. A. Peak, C. Hadley and A. F. Ryall, directors.

QUITE A FIND.

Considerable interest has been caused at Dover by the discovery of an extensive range of caves in the cliff to the eastward of the town. A portion of the face of the cliff having been knocked in the entrance to a cave was discovered. Candles were procured, and investigation showed that the first cave led into a long passage, which ran under the cliff at the back of the Athole terrace houses, while there were a number of other caves and pas- sages branching off from it in different di- rections. The passages are tunnelled in the cliff beneath the Castle, and it is stated that they were closed up by the mili- tary authorities at the time of the threat- ened French invasion. The Royal En- gineers department have taken possession of the caves, and they will again be closed up.

TROUBLE WITH CROFTERS

The 100 rebellious Lewis Island croft- ers who have entrenched themselves in the Ormsay Park forest, from which they were evicted by the owner of the land in order to enable him to convert the forest into a hunting reserve, were lately engaged in rebuilding their demolished homes and strengthening their entrenchments. Several of the party have been out hunting and the crofters are feasting upon an abundance of game, fat deer forming the principal part of the bill of fare. Ormsay park forest is a fine, dense- ly wooded tract covering about 96 square miles. Previous to the eviction of the crofters the land was covered with nu- merous well cultivated farms. A large force of police is already en route to the forest, with the instructions to drive the crofters out of their entrenched camp at any cost. If the Crofters resist, as they have announced they will, there is a pos- sibility of bloody work within a day or so. The sympathy of people in general is with the Crofters.

FOR THE NORTH POLE.

Will any one ever reach the north pole? The nearest to it that man has yet penetrated is 83 degrees, 24 min. N. latitude. This was reached by Mr. Lock- wood, a member of the Greely expedition which explored the regions of eternal ice and snow from 1881 to 1884. If any- body could reach the north pole it would naturally be a person hardened to the cold of Norway. Accordingly the bold Scandinavian explorer, Professor Nansen, will have a fighting chance of succeeding. He proposes to "build a little ship" not over 170 tons, and construct her after the idea. She will be of such model that the ice cannot crush her, but can only lift her up. With this vessel, twelve picked men and provisions for five years Nansen will make the attempt. He will strike a new route, in the beginning that pursued by the American whalers who pass up through Behring Strait. From Behring Strait Nansen will coast westward along the shores of northern Siberia till he comes to the New Siberian Islands. There he will carefully examine the currents and start northward through free ice and water toward the north pole in common with many others, Nansen believes there is an open sea around the pole. He expects to get fastened in the ice and drift with it across the polar region, and at length southward and westward and strike the region of hope and warmth again somewhere between Greenland and Spitzbergen. He hopes to start a year from this June.

BOARDING HOUSE TO RENT.

A T Griswold, with stable in connection. An excellent chance for an energetic party. Apply to ALEXANDER SPEERS, Griswold.

Wanted.

A KITCHEN girl immediately, at the BEAUBIER HOUSE, Brandon.

NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that any person violating the provisions of By- Law No. 229, "a By-Law to amend by-law No. 243, entitled a by-law for regulating the erec- tion of buildings and preventing the erection of wooden buildings within specified limits in the city of Brandon" will be prosecuted.

By order,
JOHN C. KEER,
City Clerk.

Farm to Rent.

A HALF Section of land with good buildings and 120 acres broken, 100 acres of fenced pasture with creek running through it. Will be let on shares or cash. This farm is within a mile and a half of Chater and three and a half from Brandon. Apply to
T. D. WOODCOCK, Chater.

Wanted.

A girl for light house work and to look after children.
Apply to Mrs. W.A. McDONALD.

GOPHERS!

ROSE'S GOPHER KILLER.



(TRADE MARK.)

Take only Diploma at Brandon Agricul- tural show.

Use no other. All who have tried it endorse it. One killed before May is worth one dozen in July.

Manufactured by
ROSE & CO.,
Rosser Ave., Brandon.

THE BEST WAY

TO BUY OR SELL.

Any description of Farm Lands, Town lots, or House Property, is to come straight to my office on Rosser Ave- nue, or to write to me.

SPRING LISTS NOW READY.

FRED D. COOPER,

Real Estate & Insurance Agent,
Brandon.

Paisley & Morton

COME up smiling at com- mencement of the spring season.—A big trade makes any merchant happy. We have purchased for the spring trade fresh lines of seasonable Dry Goods, Clothing, Gents' Fur- nishings, Hats, Caps etc., some already to hand and the bal- ance on the way, that in variety, quality, and popular- ity, STAND AWAY AT THE TOP. Our first care in buying these goods had been as to quality, and in marking to make them uniformly low, so that visitors will become buyers, and buyers freely ad- mit ours to be the

Cheapest Stock

In Town.

And while we do sell as cheap as any competitor, we GIVE with every Twenty Dol- lars worth of Goods bought from us for CASH, your choice of a number of useful articles in SILVER GOODS; see list on prize cards, ask for one. See new lines in these goods next week.

Careful attention paid to mail orders. Samples sent when requested. Purpose waiting upon our customers at a distance once a season with complete set of samples. See "Dry Goods Herald" mailed in a few days.

We solicit your "all the year round patronage."

Yours for Business,

PAISLEY & MORTON.

BRANDON, - SOUTH SIDE ROSSER, McDIARMID'S BLOCK.

SOURIS. **SOURIS.** SOURIS. SOURIS.

Half a Car Load of

BOOTS & SHOES

TO HAND.

Best Brand in the Market. Call and see them.

CRAWFORD & CO.,

SOURIS.

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TEAS. - TEAS.

A couple of shipments of Teas from the eastern market which were bought at a

Large Reduction off

the regular price, we are therefore in a position to give you Teas equal in qual- ity at a much less cost than you have been in the habit of paying.

The consignment consists of all the different kinds, viz:

CONGOS, YOUNG HYSONS, ASSAM, INDIAN PEKOS, JAPANS, ETC.

We will be pleased if you will call on us and get a sample. You need only to try them to be convinced that we are giving you better value for your money than you ever got before, at

W. J. YOUNG & CO'S.,

The Red Front.

Also a full line of General Groceries always on hand which you will always find fresh and of best quality.



Nothing Like Leather!

BOOTS & SHOES. - BOOTS & SHOES.

W. SENKBEIL,

The Pioneer Boot and Shoe Dealer,

Announces to the citizens of Brandon and vicinity that he has resumed business in his new stand, Rosser Avenue, opposite the Queen's Hotel, and has opened a large and carefully selected stock of **BOOTS & SHOES**, which he will sell at prices that cannot fail to give satisfaction to all his old customers, and as many new ones as favor him with a call. An in- spection of the stock is respectfully solicited.

Custom Work and Repairing by first-class Workmen.

OTHER LOCALS.

Our merchants are doing a good stroke of business these days.

And now it is Morden that wishes to do honor to the member elect. The banquet takes place on the 7th inst.

Active work has commenced on the city hall buildings and contractor Cope intends to push the work ahead as fast as possible.

Another large train of stock and settlers effects pulled into the C.P.R. yards on Thursday last. Quite a number of the animals were taken off here. We were pleased to see some valuable horned stock amongst them.

The cornice is being put on Dr. Fleming's large block and makes a vast improvement in the appearance of the structure. When painted it will still further add to the beauty of the block.

Workmen are pretty plentiful in the city at present. Mr. Cope, the contractor, assures us that he had applications from upwards of fifty men for work before eight o'clock Monday morning.

An enterprising fellow shipped in during the past week a carload of chickens and hogs. It was understood that the shipment had been bargained for by one of the business men of this city but the contract was not carried out.

Winnipeg Tribune: "Detective McKenney was married Tuesday afternoon to a young lady in this city. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Crows, of Zion church. 'Mac' is receiving the congratulations of his numerous friends to-day."

Mr. T. M. Harrington, one of Winnipeg's building contractors, arrived in the city on Thursday last looking up business for the coming season. Mr. Harrington is well known in the city, he having had a number of contracts here last year.

Once more the well known form of Mr. Theo. Green is seen on our streets. He returned on Friday last from an extended trip to California and South-western States. Mr. Green intends shortly to give a lecture on "What I have seen and where I have been." We bespeak a bumper house for the genial Mr. Green.

Not only on the Experimental Farm but on many other high lying farms, seeding commenced in real good earnest on Monday morning. This is early for even this part of Manitoba and if the weather continues favorable the farmers will be able to overtake their backwardness in plowing before it is time for oats and barley seeding.

As if there were not enough sale horses on Brandon at the present time Mr. Jas. Farley, of Brampton, Ont., arrived with another car of them on Monday morning. They are a fine lot and it were not that there are so many in the city and surrounding towns, the owner might expect to get ready sale for them, as it is well known to have to dispose of them.

Messrs. Parrish and Lindsay are hustlers when there is money to be made out of a "speck." They have lately been shipping carloads of potatoes to the south of the line. Not satisfied with the export trade alone they have been taking advantage of the remission of the farmers of this district not raising sufficient meat for home consumption, and have imported half a ton of dressed mutton and a ton and a half of pork from Minneapolis. It does seem a shame that the hard earned money of the people of this province has got to go to enrich our neighbors and so long as this continues just so long we will hear complaints from the farmers of Manitoba.

So many cars of goods, stock and settlers effects came into the C.P.R. yard here for the Souris district on Sunday night that a special train had to be sent out early Monday morning on the Souris branch with them. Amongst others who had stock on board was Mr. E. J. Reed, one of the old settlers of that district. His car consisted of quite an assortment from a span of horses to a coop of poultry. One of his shipments was of more than ordinary merit however, it being that of some imported Shropshire sheep. We were more than pleased at their appearance and predict that Mr. Reed will carry off more than one red ticket with them this fall.

The correspondent of the Winnipeg Free Press, who is himself an enthusiastic lacrosse player, sends the following from this city: "A meeting of the Brandon lacrosse club was held Wednesday evening for the purpose of electing delegates to attend the convention in the interests of the club. Messrs. R. E. & S. L. Clement were named as the club's delegates. The Brandon's expect to put a good team in the field this year and with the help of the new blood that has found its way to the city should put up some good games of lacrosse. During the winter Messrs. R. Dowling and Pickering, two lacrosse players of considerable reputation in the east, have come to town and they expect to take a hand in their favorite sport during the coming season. Two, one of the Winnipeg's of last year, will also, it is likely, wear the Brandon uniform. All of last year's Brandon's in the city, so they are certainly strengthened over the former year."

Most men were all the officials in the C.P.R. yards on Sunday night and Monday morning. About two o'clock on Sunday afternoon a very heavy train arrived. This consisted of a colonist sheep-car and thirteen cars of stock and settlers effects. The yardmen could easily have handled that one train as most of the cars were ticketed for points west and were soon out of the yard. On the arrival of that train, however, there were other specials booked for here during the night, and these continued to arrive at intervals during the night until daylight Monday morning. Calgary, Prince Albert, Vancouver and even San Francisco had consignments ticketed to them. A Grand Trunk Horse Palace Car filled with horses for the time the centre of attraction for those who have a leaning for good horses. They were a grand lot and reflected the greatest credit on the breeders of Ontario. One of the men in charge of them assured us that each animal would be worth from \$500 to \$600 on their arrival at their destination.

Mr. Donst, merchant of Oak Lake, was in the city on business last Thursday.

Mr. H. McPherson, one of the earliest Nova Scotia settlers, of Brandon Hills, has lately returned from a visit to his old home.

Mr. W. Mallet, the jeweller, is again able to attend to business after being laid up a few days last week with a sudden attack of illness.

St. Matthew's church S. S. intends holding a service of song entitled "Jesus's first prayer," during the present month. The children are now practicing for the entertainment and it is expected to be one of the best of the kind ever held in the city.

Mr. G. B. Noble who has the contract for moving J. D. McGregor & Co's stable expects to get the large building on the street to day. The building is one of the largest and heaviest that has ever been moved in this city and by the way the work is being done Mr. Noble has proved himself master of his work.

The boys had quite a laugh, at the expense of Mr. S. H. Bower, on Tuesday last. Mr. Bower was on a wagon looking at some produce when the horses started and the burley form of the merchant lit in a mud puddle right square on the part of his body where his mother used to use the shingle.

Mr. Robert Wright, formerly book-keeper with Messrs. Smith & Burton, but lately in the employ of Mr. Hillier, skipped out on Tuesday morning without paying his board bill and several other accounts. It is not yet known how much Mr. Hillier is out as that gentleman has not yet returned from his visit to the Coast.

A man named James Moiseley was captured, on Monday night, by Constable Mr. Bower was on a wagon looking at some produce when the horses started and the burley form of the merchant lit in a mud puddle right square on the part of his body where his mother used to use the shingle.

Weather Report.
Observations taken at the Experimental Farm, Brandon, with Government standard instruments, for the week ending, March 31st 1891.

DATE	HIGHEST	LOWEST	SNOW
March 25	26 above	4 above	
" 26	22 "	24 "	
" 27	15 "	25 "	
" 28	40 "	28 "	
" 29	30 "	25 "	
" 30	30 "	25 "	
" 31	18 "	33 "	

S. A. BEDFORD, Observer.

COMMUNICATION.

Brandon, Man. April 1, 1891.

To THE EDITOR,—

In your last paper I noticed a local regarding the case against A. D. Brice, saying "It may appear when a full investigation is entered into that there is considerable spite in the matter."

In the interest of the injured family I would like to say that there is or was no spite in the matter at all as any person can ascertain by consulting the evidence in the police court or Chief Foster.

Yours truly,
FAIR PLAY.

DOUGLAS.

The lecture, "Flint Faced", delivered by Dr. Benwell Lane here was attended by a large number and was exceedingly good. The one amusing feature was going the rounds in that each one thinks the hints thrown out by the doctor just hid his neighbor.

Broad brimmed hats are the rage, but Baker and Serson don't seem to care.

Mr. Colquhoun has arrived in town with a car load of fine horses. One team has already been disposed of.

Mr. Douglas and family who arrived on Monday with his stock and farm implements has got settled on a farm about six miles north of Douglas.

British blood cannot stand a bluff. So when Joe hinted that he wouldn't mind being a target, Beecher immediately called him out. Suffice to say that when some of the boys found out what was going Joe was crying, "give me my wind."

KEMNAY.

A football match was played on Good Friday between an amalgamated team from South Brandon, Roseland, and the Do-en-up's clubs and the Kemnay club team. A good many spectators were on the ground and cheered the good playing made on both sides. The players were as follows:

KEMNAY.	S. BRANDON ETC.
A. Megget.	A. Struthers.
D. Megget.	James Clark.
W. Megget.	O. Lewis.
W. Way.	Jno. Clark.
T. Priddy.	J. McKelvie.
D. McDonald.	W. Cook.
F. Sankbell.	W. McKelvie.
J. Scott.	B. Woodhull.
J. Hogan.	E. Woodhull.
E. Megget.	E. Hunter.
J. Schumann.	R. Lewis.
J. Schumann, capt.	W. McKelvie capt.
W. Bove, Referee.	

The decision was given in favor of Kemnay. The score stood 3 goals to 1 with two disputed goals kicked by the Kemnay team.

HARTNEY.

We are now getting our share of the fine weather which is being appreciated by our farmers who are losing no time. Some are sowing and others are preparing their ground for the seed, yet quite a number of them are still rushing in the grain.

Our storage capacity for grain is very limited and unless cars are furnished in a few days the buyers will have to take a holiday.

Mr. Lecky is away now for a short trip.

Good Friday was observed by stores being closed. Quite a number went to Souris for the day.

The lacrosse match drew a large crowd. It was a game between two teams picked from our own club. The game was exciting all through and proved quite a surprise to our older players when they saw what some of the new men were capable of. There is now no doubt but that we can turn out a winning team, and some think two good teams will be put in the field this season. Other young aspirants should take note of this and prepare themselves accordingly.

We would be glad to see a good physician located here and would advise one that is clever and anxious for an opening to pay this place a visit.

One of our residents in the musical end of the town is evidently getting ready to treat us to a musical festival as he is hardly ever seen without some instrument in his hand.

"She's my Annie, I'm her Joe."—J. F.

HARD TIMES IN DAKOTA

SETTLERS MUST BE HELPED OR THEY CAN NOT PUT IN A CROP.

The Fargo, N.D., Argus publishes the following extract from a private letter received there from T.F. Woods, manager of the post office store at Bottineau: "The outlook at present for many farmers here is gloomy and distressing in the extreme. A great many have no kernel of seed to sow, where in some cases, they have as much as 200 acres ready for crop. If they don't get help from the government, or some other source, there will be at least 12,500 acres of cultivated land in this country lying idle this summer. Do you think that Mr. Mears will try to help the farmers out by giving out seed wheat as he did before? Unless something is done shortly we shall soon feel the effects of the last few years' failures worse than ever before. The Canadian Pacific Railway company is offering extra inducements to settlers in the shape of free transportation to Alberta, Edmonton and other places. It is a strange thing to see banks of the Red River Valley loaded with idle money, from farmers there to a great extent at least, and here the same class, with the hardest labor, cannot get far enough ahead to keep their seed for the next seasons crop."

MURDER AND PROBABLE LYNCHING
Middleborough, Ke., March 26.—This morning at Cumberland Gap, Tenn., J. A. Burke, the telegraph operator there was shot and killed by Tom Hurley, a negro. The murder caused intense excitement. Reports are conflicting as to what caused the deed, but it seems that Burke and Hurley fell out over some trifling matter in a saloon. The latter then left, and procuring a shotgun, lay in ambush for Burke. The latter was on his way home, when the negro discharged the contents of both barrels at him, tearing out his eyes, cheeks and teeth. He died instantly. The murderer fled, but was captured here this morning. Officers started back to the Gap with him but a circuitous route to avoid a mob which had gathered to lynch him. The officers were however, met by sixty armed men, who took Hurley from them and went into the mountains with him. It is believed that Hurley has been lynched. The murdered man was well known and liked here.

THE NORTH-WEST FLOUR TRADE

Minneapolis, Minn., March 30.—The flour output last week was 133,100 barrels. The advance in wheat the last two days seems to have benefited flour comparatively little. On Saturday there was an increased call for patents from domestic markets, and on Monday there were quite heavy sales by some firms. These transactions were mainly at old quotations, the advance of 10c to 15c per barrel, made to offset the extra cost of wheat, having since checked the disposition to buy. Advances from eastern centres are that buyers are indifferent about taking flour. It is very hard to do anything in patents for export, the bids of foreigners being low. Sales by certain millers are reported of patents at low prices from accumulated stock on the other side. Bakers continue in active demand for export at good value, and low grades have a call up to the limit of production in this country and Europe. Official keeps very high, and greatly aids the miller to make ends meet. Ocean freight rates continue on the decline.

Strayed

STRAYED on to E 10918 about last Nov. Sember one dark brown calf. If not claimed within one month will be sold to pay expenses. H. McPHERSON, Brandon Hills.

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Doors will be closed during each number of the first part of the programme.

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REMEMBER THE ADDRESS: Brock's old stand, opposite Dr. Fleming's Block.

JOHN T. SOMERVILLE.

P. S. A large consignment of English Shirt Collars and Ties received this week, direct importation

HOME FOR THE INSANE.

THE VOTE IN THE HOUSE OVER THE EXPENDITURE IN BRANDON.

In concurrence in the Legislature yesterday Mr. Roblin took exception to the grant of \$4,000 for the proposed asylum for the insane at Brandon. In doing so he complimented the Hon. Mr. Young, medical superintendent of the Selkirk asylum, also the matron, remarking that they filled the respective offices most satisfactorily. He urged the government to reconsider the vote, as it was not desirable in the interests of the patients to have an asylum at Brandon. He would rather see an addition to the present buildings. It would save the country money. He moved, seconded by Mr. Gellie; That, whereas the province has erected at great cost an asylum for the insane at the town of Selkirk; and whereas the staff of officers appointed for the management of said institution is adequate for a much larger number of patients than is now contained in the said asylum; and whereas the opening of another building in another locality for such asylum purposes would necessitate a new staff of officers to the province; therefore, he resolved that in the opinion of this House any increased accommodation required for the insane of the province should be provided by making such increased accommodation at the main building in the town of Selkirk, and this item be, therefore, not concurred in.

Hon. Mr. Smart said the hon. member for Dufferin was astray in supposing that the increased cost would be great.

Mr. Fisher was opposed to the vote, believing that the accommodation at Selkirk should be increased.

The vote was then taken, and amendment was declared lost. The record was as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Fisher, Gillies, Roblin, Prodergast, Norquay, Martin, Gellie, Marion, O'Malley, Wood, Gerome and Lagimodiere—12.

Nays—Hon. Messrs. Greenway, McLean, Smart and McMillan, Messrs. Hettie, Mickle, Goldough, Campbell, McKenzie, Thompson, Jones, Sifton, Graham, Morton, Young, Dickson, Winkler, Crawford, Thomson, Lawrence and Harrower—21.

ELI PERKINS ON DR. COLLYER.

Dr. Robert Collyer, said Eli Perkins, at the Round Table Assembly, is a strict temperance man, but still he likes a good dinner. English roast beef and plum pudding are his favorite dishes.

The doctor told me that one of his best dinners was almost spoiled by a joke.

"But a joke ought to spice a dinner,"

I said.

"It did spice this dinner, Eli, and a little too much," said the doctor.

"Dr. Collyer," said he, "was dining one evening at Delmonico's, and had arrived at the cheese stage of his repast. A delightful piece of Roquefort was set before him, ripe, vivacious, self-mobilized. There is nothing Collyer likes better than a lively cheese, and he had just transferred a spoonful of the delicacy in question to his plate, when Henry Bergh, sitting at a neighboring table, sprang to his feet with a cry of horror, clutched his wrist with an iron grasp, and exclaimed:

"Hold, monster! Never shall you swallow a mouthful of that cheese in my presence."

"And why not?" inquired the doctor, in perplexed amazement.

"Because, cruel monster, I am a member of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and I will not sit by tamely and see those innocent insects tortured!" (Laughter.)

The doctor tells a good many anecdotes at his own expense, but they are all as pure as the Saxon's parables. One day he was talking to a good old colored man down in Kentucky. Mr. Collyer always wears his white clerical tie, and the conversation was naturally about preachers.

"So, Uncle Jack," said Dr. Collyer, "you don't much believe in the idea that men are called to preach?"

"Wall, sah, de Lawd mout call some niggers to preach, but it sorter pears ter me dat whar de Lawd calls one old man, Laziness calls er dozen. Nine nigger preachers outen ten is de lazies' pascens in de world, sah."

"How do you know, Uncle Jack?"

"Cause I see a preacher meself, sah." (Laughter.)

"I tell you what, Bradder Collyer," continued Uncle Jack, "we preachers must wuck with energy, ef we wucker 'tastful for to do you oughter durst wid all things 'bout an' stee'n th'. An' above all things, down prostrate."

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NOW KNOW YE that I, the said Honourable Edgar Dewdney, Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, considering it to be in the public interest so to do, and having recourse to the previous public notice on the subject, dated the Nineteenth day of August, 1891, do hereby give public notice that the sale, gift or disposal of any Indian in the North-West Territories of Canada, or in any part thereof, of any fixed ammunition or ball cartridge, is hereby further prohibited, and that the same prohibition is hereby extended to the Indians of Manitoba, and that every person who, without the permission in writing of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs for the time being, sells or gives away, or in any manner conveys to any Indian in the Province of Manitoba or in any part thereof, or in the North-West Territories or in any part thereof, any fixed ammunition or ball cartridge, will incur the penalties provided by the said Act.

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THE GAOL AND COURTHOUSE.

Public Meeting to Discuss the Action of the Local Legislature.

During the early part of last week when it became known in the city that Brandon's bargain in regard to building the gaol and court house was to be the subject of legislation, it was deemed advisable to send a delegation to Winnipeg to watch the interests of the city. This delegation consisted of Mayor Kelly, Aldermen Caldwell, McDiarmid and Treasurer McMillan. On Wednesday of last week it was evident to the members of this delegation that it was the intention of some of the members of the legislature to act unjustly to Brandon. Dr. McDiarmid was sent up last evening and a public meeting was held in the city hall and the matter was held before the ratepayers present. Ex-mayor Adams was called to the chair and Mr. J. H. Hughes appointed secretary.

Dr. McDiarmid was asked to explain his position. He proceeded to do so by relating the history of the building of the court house and gaol. As, perhaps, some of our readers may not be conversant with that history we will give a synopsis of it.

When the province was divided into the judicial districts, of which it is now composed, and Brandon was made headquarters of the western one, the then government was not in a position to borrow money to erect the necessary buildings. The Judicial Board which was created by the Act, and which was composed of the various municipalities in the district, could not legally borrow the money. Brandon city then stepped in and said we will erect the buildings and build those buildings providing that the city is guaranteed twelve per cent. on the outlay. The town council and the Judicial Board agreed to that offer and Brandon had to pay the sum of \$70,000 for erecting and furnishing those buildings. This money the city borrowed at seven per cent. There was an act passed by the legislature legalizing the issue of the bonds and ratifying the contract. The twelve per cent. interest payable to the city has to be borne by all the municipalities in the district pro rata. Some of the outside ones now insist that the contract must be broken, claiming that the city was making five per cent. clear profit on the transaction. This is not true, however, as the city has to pay the insurance on the buildings as well as keep them repaired. In addition there is a sinking fund of two per cent. per annum provided for the repayment of the money borrowed. It will be thus seen that Brandon has not a good thing out of the transaction, as Mr. Fisher, the member for Russell and his followers are trying to make the people of the province believe.

The Doctor in his remarks pointed this out, but at the same time said that pressure was being brought to bear on the delegates at Winnipeg to grant some concessions in the matter. A threat had been made by members of the house that their terms were not agreed to that resolution would be asked for dividing the Judicial District into three by erecting the north western municipalities into a separate one, and the three south western ones into another.

The meeting, which was fairly representative, was held in its denouement and any action on the part of the legislature that had not for its basis compromise for the breach of contract, was taking a prominent part in the meeting. There were Messrs. Hanbury, Jones, E. Evans, Arnett, J. D. McGregor, Murray, Clegg, A. R. Smith and Malby. A committee was finally appointed to draw a resolution for the guidance of the delegates at Winnipeg. This committee also drew a resolution, submitted a resolution which was approved by the meeting and was transmitted the same day to Winnipeg. The resolution was to effect simply entangling the members and wishes of those who had taken part in the discussion. It is in substance as follows: "Submit to the legislature the following as the ultimatum of the citizens of Brandon: The government to assume the \$70,000 debt and pass legislation relieving the city from the liability. The city to retain all profits may have accrued under the contract as well as retain possession of the sinking fund. If these terms are not agreed to it means that the city will fight the matter out in the courts."

A new little bit of looseness in regard to money matters was brought to light during the meeting. It appears that Brandon lent a delegation of the city council waited on the Judicial Board. Their object was to arrange for the city to be supplied for extra furnishings that had been supplied for the buildings. The matter was amicably arranged by the Board agreeing to a sum that at the rate of interest we were entitled to under the contract, would have brought into the city treasury something about \$300 per annum. One cent of this sum has never been received and yet these outside kickers seem to think it is Brandon that has been doing the chiselling.

On March 26, what promises to be a disastrous fire is raging here. An Ottawa saw mill, planning mill, foundry and machine implement works belonging to C. R. & Co., are almost completely consumed and other surrounding buildings are threatened. Much loss of stock will go with the buildings. The loss already is in the neighborhood of fifty thousand dollars, with light damage.

On March 26, the action of Ontario and McMillan against the Canadian Pacific Railway, claiming additional money for work done in the construction of the Lake Superior section of that road was advanced another stage this afternoon when the full court of appeal disagreed two to two on the appeal of the railway against the judgment of Chief Justice Armour awarding to the plaintiffs a quarter of a million dollars in full of all claims.

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essary, if not remedied, it increases, and in the end,

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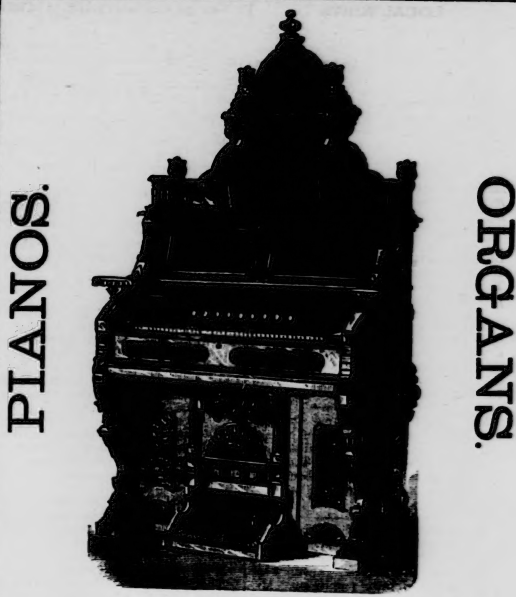
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LOCAL NEWS

The Sun newspaper of this city commenced to issue a tri-weekly on Monday last.

Mr. Walter Sargent, of Pendennis, has sold out his store and intends to confine himself to farming in the future.

Mr. D. McFarlane, one of the line-men of the C. P. R. telegraph company, arrived in the city on Monday afternoon from the west where he had been attending to repairs.

Mr. J. J. Clegg, agent for Sylvester Bros. Mfg. Co., has received over the Northern Pacific a carload of steel rollers. The company claim a big business in press-drills and seeders.

Elk Perkins—Mr. McKelvie, D. Landon—the great humorist is to be in the city and give one of his popular and side splitting entertainments on Wednesday the 14th inst. Keep yourself disengaged for that evening.

Mr. Weedon has secured the contract for the erection of a large billiard hall to the north of and immediately adjoining the Brunswick hotel on Tenth St. From the plans shown we should say it will be second to none in the province when completed.

Mr. Aylsworth's sale of furniture &c. on last Thursday afternoon on the vacant lot in front of the McDermid block on Rosser was a great success. There were lots of bargains for the purchasers. Mr. J. C. Johnston, the auctioneer conducted the sale in his usual effective manner.

Mr. Thos. Harkness of Ninth St. has made himself quite a hustler in the horse selling business during the last four weeks. He has succeeded in getting rid of his whole outfit except a pair of two-year old Clyde fillies. His stock was a superior lot of two and three cross Clydes as well as some registered.

At the last meeting of the Farmers Institute the next meeting was fixed for the first Saturday in the month of June. The subject for discussion at that time will be mixed farming. It is hoped that some gentlemen from a distance will be on hand to address the Institute.

A new break was made by the Free Press of Winnipeg, so far as this city is concerned, by the delivery of its issue of Tuesday by the Northern Pacific train at least an hour and a half earlier than by the C. P. R. This shows considerable enterprise on the part of the Free Press. The boys in that office must be wise awake.

The Commercial Statistics of the Canadian Pacific land department, at Winnipeg, show that the immigration to this country during February was seventy-five per cent. larger than for the same month last year. The company's land sales for the month were sixty per cent. larger than for the corresponding period of last year.

Mr. Wynch who has been so many years known to the citizens of our city has taken the agency for the following standard works: "Darkest Africa," "Woman, and last but not least," "The Indian Horrors," by Henry Davenport Northrop, D.D. Any of these books are well worthy of a place in the library of those literally inclined.

The morning and evening services in St. Matthews church—Episcopal on last Sunday were very impressive. The floral decorations were very fine and the choir did themselves more than justice in the Anthems, Hymns and the other musical portion of the service. The building was crowded both morning and evening many intending worshippers being unable to gain admission.

We beg leave once more to call the attention of readers of the Mail in this district to the fact that Mr. W. H. Hooper's big sale takes place at the farm near Lake Clementine next Saturday. This promises to be one of the biggest sales ever held in this province and intending purchasers of stock, implements, and other necessities for a successful farming had better make it a point to attend.

The music at the Presbyterian church on Sunday last was good, especially the anthem composed by Prof. Davies. The rendering of it being such as showed the power of the choir which numbers 15 members. We are pleased to see that we have such a talented young musician as this young man, by which his music has shown that it is of a very high grade indeed. We predict a great future for him.

Victoria Times: "The commercial travelers who visit Victoria have in the past been subjected to a tax of \$50 for six months, and the collection of this tax has been a matter of bother in many cases. Lately a resolution of the board of aldermen allowed a rebate of 50 per cent. and now only \$25 for a half year is charged to the commercial men. A great many of them do not know this yet and consequently endeavor to keep out of the way of the collector. The city treasurer wishes the travellers to understand that if paid willingly, the 50 per cent. rebate will be allowed but if not paid unless a summons is issued, the full amount of \$50 will be collected."

Our horse importers could not have purchased the very best of the horse stock or they would not be able to sell them at the prices they are doing. Many Manitoba men think that good horses can be purchased very cheap in the western part of Ontario. This is a great mistake. Good horses are selling at much better prices than they have ever brought before. We have a copy of the London Free Press before us dated the 25th ult. in which is given an account of a large sale of horses that took place in that city on the 24th. There were sold at this sale four geldings and one mare that ran in price from \$300 to \$385 each, a pair of chestnut colts that made \$525 and over a score of inferior animals each of which made over \$200. These prices would indicate that the raising and training of good horses will still pay in Ontario.

New and seasonable goods at Cliffe's book and stationery store.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. M. Robinson, of this city, have returned from Ontario.

Architect Shillinglaw is again able to be out after his being laid up with a severe illness.

Mrs. S. White—formerly Mrs. Beggs—a well known former resident of this city, spent Easter with friends here.

A large assortment of new wall paper of the latest design and at the lowest rates will be found at Cliffe's book store.

The prairie anemones are already showing their pale blue blossoms on some of the more sandy spots in this neighborhood.

Mr. Ben Burland, of the Souris district, arrived in the city on Monday on his way home from a visit to Ireland.

The train for Souris, both on Friday and Tuesday last, was again crowded with passengers, principally returning excursionists.

Mr. Sampson has returned from Ontario and has brought with him a new brick-making outfit. He will commence work in his yard as soon as possible.

Mr. W. H. Garside has decided to take into partnership in his painting business Mr. E. G. Daniels, who formerly carried on the same line of business here.

Quite a number of young men who had come to the city from the east a week ago looking for work, left on Monday evening for California, they not thinking that from \$20 to \$25 a month sufficient wages for farm hands.

Mr. P. O'Mara, of Mr. Irm's photographic studio, was the lucky holder of ticket No. 89 that secured the cooking stove offered by the Winnipeg Spice Mill Co., for the packages of baking powder sold by Mr. J. W. Anderson.

The circulation of the MAIL is increasing week by week at all points on the C. P. R. Souris branch and the Northern Pacific, Brandon Morris, branch. Advertisers will therefore find it to their interest to patronize its columns.

The Northern Pacific Railway is cut with a new time-table. There is an important change made in the time of trains leaving here for the south and intending travellers should make a note of it. Until further notice trains will leave the Ninth St. depot at 7 o'clock sharp every morning.

The greater part of merchants, milliners &c. had their show windows nicely decorated with spring and summer goods for the Easter holiday. The young men and maidens who had charge of doing this deserve a great deal of credit for the fine display they made by their artistic talent.

Mr. Lisgar Lang who for years had been employed in the book store of Mr. C. Cliffe, but lately residing in Winnipeg is spending a few weeks vacation with his parents. The young people of the city extended to Lisgar a right hearty welcome.

Saturday last the city presented a very lively appearance. The principal streets were thronged with hundreds of far and near and their wives all intent on making purchases prior to seeding commencing. The merchants claim that it was one of the best business days of the season.

Amongst the many good carcasses of Easter meat that were shown by the dealers of the city, was one veal at Mr. Thos. Green's. The calf had been fed by Mr. John McKelvie, sen., and although only six weeks old weighed over 160 lbs. It was without exception one of the best veals ever killed in the city.

Messrs. J. D. McGregor & Co. have moved all their horses to the Royal stables preparatory to the removal of the stables now occupied by the firm being removed from its present site. The new site selected by the firm is on the corner of Rosser Ave. and Thirteenth St. The removal of this large building will make quite a vacancy on that part of Rosser.

Mr. A. Whitelaw has been adding greatly to the appearance of his "Cheap-side" grocery store, on the corner of 8th St. and Rosser Ave., by mounting a gold lettered sign over the principal entrance and a neatly painted sign on the east side of the building. We understand the work was performed by Mr. Thos. Sharp and the young gentleman has no reason to be ashamed of his handiwork.

The Brandon Turf Club are already moving in the matter of having a meeting here on the 24th of May. It may seem premature to some but it must be remembered that it takes quite a time to reach outsiders who may want to enter horses. For the past two years the meetings of the Queen's Birth day have been very successful and it is to be hoped that the forthcoming one will be so too.

The Farmers Institute Social held in the McDermid hall on Friday last was a great success and was a fitting wind up to the more active operations of the Institute. A lengthy and varied programme was placed before the audience, which was composed of a goodly number in a fitting manner. The addresses of the clergymen on the subject selected were to the point and carried good lessons, both moral and religious with them.

Winnipeg Free Press: A deputation consisting of Mayor Kelly, Ald. Coldwell, Dr. McDermott, and Treasurer McMillan, of Brandon, waited on the government yesterday in reference to the position Brandon occupies respecting the court house and jail of the western judicial district. The city of Brandon some years ago loaned its credit to the western judicial district to build these structures, and floated bonds, and in the arrangement the city expected to meet other obligations. Now in the light of anticipated legislation, brought before the house, the city wants the government to either stick to the original bargain, or assume the court house and jail and pay the city what it has advanced. The deputation leaves for home to day.

A large consignment of lacrosse sticks expected in a few days at Cliffe's book store also base ball clubs and balls.

Michael Cummings, a drunk and disorderly, was sent up, yesterday, by Police Magistrate Todd, for twenty-one days.

Mr. J. B. Roberts, of Souris, was in the city yesterday. "Jack" has many friends here and they gave him a hearty welcome.

The MAIL has by large odds the largest circulation of any paper in the city and is therefore the best medium for advertisers to reach new customers.

Dr. McDiarmid, as chairman of the Board of Works, deserves the thanks of the citizens for the way he is having the principal streets of the city cleaned up and put in order.

Mrs. Spivey, sister of Mrs. J. H. Brown of Souris, left with her two children, yesterday morning for Mitchell, Ont., after spending about six months visiting friends in the Souris district.

The building fever has fairly got hold of citizens. One of the latest to catch it is Mr. McNichol, the boot and shoe merchant. He intends to put up a private residence during the coming season.

Editor Cliffe left on Sunday last for Montreal and Deloraine, where he will do his duties in the art of taking the census. Before returning to the city it is Mr. Cliffe's intention to run down to Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal.

Mr. Arthur Kelly, of the Kelly House in this city, has the frame work of a large private residence well under way. The building, which is of large dimensions, is situated on the corner of 6th St. and Rosser Ave., is intended to be brick-veneer and when completed will be one of the handsomest residences in the city.

Wall St., as the business men living on 6th St. like to call it, presented a busy appearance on Tuesday. The street was fairly lined with farmers' wagons, loaded with grain and potatoes. Of the latter Messrs. Farish and Lindsay purchased upwards of twenty loads during that day.

Messrs. Durham and Mann, lumber merchants and proprietors of the skating rink, are having the ice cleared out of the last named building with the intention of using it for the storage of lumber and other materials during the summer season.

Notwithstanding the wild talk of the Winnipeg Tribune about the plot to cheat Watson out of his seat for Blamette on returning officer declared him elected on Monday last. He had a narrow escape, however, as his majority was only 12. In all probability there will be a protest entered.

Mr. Higginbotham, in the employ of H. S. & Co., of this city, goes to Virden to-day to represent the McOrmack firm. In the person of Mr. Higginbotham, Brandon loses a promising young man, esteemed by all who know him. THE MAIL wishes him success in his change of position.

Mr. J. H. Hanbury has a gang of men overhauling the machinery and other parts of his planing mill preparatory to commencing work next Monday. A large number of orders for doors, sash, mouldings and other dressed wood-work have already been received and when once started up the mill will be kept running full time.

Messrs. Burchill & Howey are two lively business men, but a short time ago we mentioned that Mr. Howey had gone on a trip to the Coast. While there "Jack" saw an opening for a "Spec" the result of which was that he returned to this city on Friday morning last with three cars of live hogs purchased in Ontario for to be placed on the Victoria, B. C. market.

Chief Foster and his assistant, Constable Hannay, are on the watch looking after those violating the city health by-law. It behooves all those who have not removed the manure from around their stables, cleaned up their back yards or have otherwise neglected to put their premises in apple-pie order to do so at once or these preservers of order will be after them with a sharp stick.

Mr. E. A. Smith, a gentleman who is to have charge of Lord Aberdeen's farm in British Columbia, has arrived in Winnipeg from Scotland. He will remain in the city to meet Capt. Majorbanks, Lady Aberdeen's brother, who is now on the way here from British Columbia. Lord and Lady Aberdeen will re-visit the Northwest during the coming summer and will spend a couple of months in the country.

A special meeting of the city council was held on Monday afternoon to discuss the question of the foundation of the new city hall buildings. As we are informed, the architect, Mr. Marshall, is not satisfied with the solidity of the soil on which the foundations are to rest and asked for advice from the city council. That body finally decided to employ Mr. Chubb as clerk of the works upon whose opinion further action in the matter will depend.

On another page appears the advertisement for the Brandon Quartette Club concert. The Quartette Club and its members individually and collectively have always been ready with their assistance at concerts and entertainments for as the money is to be expended on music and rent of piano, and it gives an excellent opportunity for the people of the city to show how much they appreciate the efforts and assistance of the class.

Among the many building that are contemplated being put up as soon as the weather permits is a big brick stable by Mr. Beaubier the popular proprietor of the house called after his name. We were shown the plans and the structure looks quite imposing on paper and no doubt will look just as well when it is built. Its size will be 50 x 38 and will face on Eighth St. immediately south of the hotel. Mr. Fred Cope has the contract and intends to rush it to a finish in as short time as possible.

Mr. Dance and family leave next week for Toronto where they expect to reside in future.

Mr. R. A. Case, formerly in the employ of the Merchant's Bank in this city, left last week for Montreal.

The transient traders' law at Portage la Prairie, will be enforced against parties who bring in horses to sell, without taking out a license.

Mr. A. Moudeff left the city on Thursday morning's train for La Porte, Ind. The young gentleman has been learning the watch-making business and wishes to visit some of the larger cities to perfect his education in that line.

Dr. Macdonald intends making large improvements on his dwelling house on 11th St. Mr. Harrington, of Winnipeg has got the contract and is at present in the city making preparations for the commencement of the work.

Mr. D. C. McKinnon of the Palace Hotel is hardly home from the coast until he has commenced renovating his establishment. The bar-room, dining-room, office and sitting-room have already been finished and they look very well indeed. Ceilings and walls have been painted in rich warm tints with oil paint, the effect of which is heightened by rich borders of bright paper.

Mr. Robert Kerr, an old timer and son of Mr. J. C. Kerr, Brandon's city clerk is offering some farms for sale and others to rent. New comers who wish information as to the advantages of Manitoba, best points to settle in or other information useful to those intending to settle in the country cannot do better than call on Mr. Robt. Kerr, who can be found at his father's office during business hours.

Few could have believed that the local horsemen could have held their own against the many shippers of cheap horses this year. A number of them say they have done it. Messrs. Collins, McAdoo, Powell, and Trench, residents of this city say that they have sold their stock fairly well giving as a reason that they knew the requirements of the country and brought the kind of stock suitable. They are not clear sold out however.

Mr. William Drew and family of Napinka, returned last week from their three months Ontario trip. Mr. Drew was formerly proprietor of "The Farmers' Home" on Pacific Avenue, in this city, and has many friends here. These will be glad to learn that Mr. Drew intends to go more extensively into farming and for that purpose brought up some good horses with him.

Mr. J. Pierson, of Gretna, with his sprained ankle, at Langhams Mr. Sid Hobbs of the Merchant's Hotel, with his crysallaps, and Mrs. W. C. Kennedy, of the Royal Hotel, who has been seriously ill for a couple of weeks—are all, we are pleased to say, so far on the mend that they are able to be up. The mild weather of the past week has been a great help to those who have been lying on a bed of sickness.

Two well known young gentlemen of the city, Messrs. Neil and Robert McKelvie—brothers of Mr. D. McKelvie had a close call on Sunday morning. They occupied a room in their brother's house and on retiring on Saturday night left the dampers of the stove in the adjoining room in such shape that a large quantity of gas was generated. On their room being entered on Sunday morning the young men were found to be unconscious. Neil recovered sufficiently during the day to be able to get around, but Robert still felt the effects of the dose of gas he had inhaled even on Monday morning.

Two of our city tailors could not resist the tempting weather of Easter Sunday and thought they would take an excursion to the east. Having secured one of Mr. Asa Edmunds' best drivers and a handsome looking rig they started off in the best of spirits arrayed in new suits. From some cause they did not return in such good trim. Either the roads were too muddy or the horse too frisky, the knights of the shears knew more about "goose" than they did about driving or from some other cause, the elder of the two excursionists returned alone leading the horse minus the buggy or harness. Both he and the horse were certainly in a most sorry plight being covered with mud from head to feet. On enquiring it was found that the younger man had been left sitting on the prairie between here and Chatter. Another rig was provided and sent out to pick him and the fragments of the rig up. Those two men will long remember their visit to the eastern hamlet on Easter Sunday 1891.

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